"Parlez-vous Francais, monsieur, s'il vous plait?" asked a figure that stepped out from the shadow of a tree into the middle of one of the walks in Madison square the other evening. The reporter said he did, a very little, and then looked inquiringly at his questioner.

ed inquiringly at his questioner. The latter touched his battered cap in true military style, and then thanked all found some one in this forlorn country who could understand him. He was a soldier, a veteran of Magenta and Solthis he straightened his lean figure, twirled the long mustache under his e nose, and drew the stiffly-waxed

imperial through his fingers. "But now," said he striking his breast. over which the shabby frock-coat was buttoned tightly up under the chin, "now, I am starving-without a sou! Would monsieur be merciful enough to help an unfortunate one who had been vainly looking for work ever since he

came over from Paris, five weeks ago?" The reporter gave him a quarter. The ex-soldier of Solferino saluted and marched down the path away from the electric

Ten minutes later the reporter was crossing the square again. As he stop-ped in the shadow of a tree to light a cigar he saw the figure of the veteran come up a narrow path and stop in front of a lady and gentleman who were approaching. The same question which had been asked before was again asked, this time with a bow in honor of the lady. The gentleman evidently answered in the affirmative, for the veteran launched forth in an impassioned appeal in French for a little money to keep him from starving. The gentleman put his hand into his pocket, then into the veteran's hand, and then passed on with

Hardly had they turned the corner of the path when a young man in a bobtailed overcoat and very high collar with the ends turned over loomed up. The veteran met him as he had the others. The young man in answer to the question, "Parlez-vous Français, nsieur?" stammered out an incoherent answer, whereat the veteran said in English that he was "very hungry," and then began to recite in French his pitiable condition. The young man listened as if he understood it all, and then giving him a half-dollar walked on with giving him a half-dollar walked on with a self-satisfied smile on his smooth

"See here," said the reporter stepping out of the shadow, "if you'll tell me how long you have been playing this game, and how you do it, I'll give you half a

The veteran scowled, but as the halfdollar glittered in his questioner's hand sitated a moment and then "Of course you aren't a Frenchman?"

said the reporter. "Oh, yes, surely, monsieur," said the a veteran. I was a regimental cook once, but I have lived in America for five years. Business was dull last summer and I bethought myself how to make money. At last I had a little idea. Said I to myself, everybody admires be-ing thought to speak French, and if I can make myself a flatterer to their vanity they will pay for it. So I came out one night and began, just as I asked you to-night, Parlez-vous Francais, monsicur, s'il vous plait! It is certainly not every gentleman I meet who will stop, but the great number do. If they are with ladies they are more sure to stop a minute and let me tell them my story, for in that way they make an impression on the fair one with them. Many a one does not understand the language, and so he hesitates. Then I say in English that I am hungry, and then I go on in French. They know then that I am asking for money, and they listen and pretend to understand. They almost all give me money, but the st liberal are the pshuttreaux, or dudes, as you call them, like the one with the cane and the overcoat that just went past. But, voila, it is a fair exchange. They think they impose on me by pretending to understand me, and I

goers he resumed the carrying out of his little linguistic idea.—N. Y. Sun. President Eliot's Curiosity.

usicur; bon nuit." And with another

President Eliot, of Harvard College, is a man of marked ability as an executive officer. He is weak on the scholarly His communication to the world that General Grant had never heard of good story on himself, the authenticity of which I can vouch for.

and on his old hobby, "The Basis of Civilization, What Was It?" loudly de-clared that the only one who had suc-Professor Price's conundrum was simply this: "Progressive Desire." But valuable or not, Price did not choose to divulge the wonderful answer on the occasion in question. He merely prooccasion in question. He merely pro-pounded it as something every one should know. The Boston men laughed uneasily, as if to say, "Oh, yes, we know it," and the subject of conversation sud-

The next day President Eliot sought out Price, and, after a little conversa-

"Professor Price, I was much interest

No answer from Price except a slight raising of the eyebrows.
"You spoke, I believe, of a young lady,

who, who-"
A downward look from Price.

"No, sir," answered Bonamy prompt-ly, "find it out for yourself!"—San Fran-

his arm and hands. When he is pleased or contented to listen he holds his hands about six inches apart, with the back part of his hand against his coat. growing tired. Then he will shift from one foot to the other. If the man bores him the arms gradually come forward. The move is gradually come forward. The man bores will have a high old time, you bet."—

Texas Siftings.

"Ephlum, what makes so many cattails grow in dis heah pon?" "Well, I would say! Doan you know? Why, dey grows up from kittens dat people hez drowned in de pon!, of course. Pears like you wimmen folks doan know nuffin bout aglicultshah."—Life.

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He Got His Case

A good story is told of a celebrated elient who had patented a process for preserving meats, and another party living outside the state had commenced the lawyer was searching to find some-body who had used the process before, and after much time and money had been spent in traveling around the country they found a man in Philadelphia who, it was said, had a process of simi-

and a German. The interview took place just after the German had had the saints in the calendar that he had his dinner. He was asked if he preserved the bodies in his business, and making a favorable reply, was asked what he used and how he applied it. ferino, of Sedan and Metz. As he said | The sexton slowly described the articles from which the preserving material was made and carefully explained its appli-cation. The lawyer was delighted, but did not dare to show it, for he knew he had found the very thing for which he

had been searching for years. He asked of the undertaker the privilege of witnessing the operation, but was told that strangers never came there. The lawyer determined to see the thing through, if he possibly could. The undertaker said that he did not want

anybody loafing around at such a time. This gave the undertaker an opportu nity to offer his services as "helper." whereupon the man of bodies said if he wanted to "help around," when he was doing the job, he could come. This was more than satisfactory, and the lawyer nade arrangements with the undertaker to send word to his hotel when he had a subject. Back to the hotel the man of law went, and quickly got together some old clothing, for he expected he would be called at any moment Early the next morning the message came, and the searcher after knowledg repaired to the place of the dead. The ody was placed in position, and the attorney, acting the part of the "boy," brought water and sponges, and with his own hands mixed the chemicals, at the direction of the undertaker, and applied them to the body. The body was very hot and he watched the body until it was ready to be dropped into the old undertaker and give him a chance

to hire another boy. When the case was called in the supreme court, it was but a short time after his experience at the undertaker's in Philadelphia, and when he argued his case he showed a wonderful familihad secured his patent the lawyer got his case. It was some years before the facts came out, and it is a question now if the other side in the case has found out how its opponent got posted on pre-serving bodies.—Boston Herald.

In first-class passenger carriages on English lines they put pans of hot water in the compartments to keep the passengers warm. Stoves are not used.

"Mystery gold" is an alloy resembling gold in appearance and weight, and withstands the jeweler's test of strong Its analysis is given as follows: Silver, 2, 48; platinum, 32.02; copper, by difference, 65.50. Strong boiling in nitro acid, even when an article made of it is left in it for some time, has ap-parently no effect upon the alloy, which is coming extensively into use.

WIT AND HUMOR. The Servians wanted a railroad to the

Lower Danube, so the first thing they did was to capture the pass. "He is utterly unscrupulous," writes an Irish editor of a political opponent; "and his memory is so poor that he frequently forgets one minute what he says the next."

A New York detective has discovered that it's all bosh that murderers can't sleep. When you get him on the sub-

home. - Philadelphia News. "Come here, Walter, and let me shave you, too," said Uncle Alfred, who was tonsorially employed, to his five-year-old nephew. "No," was the prompt response; "my whisters ain't ripe yet."-

Harper's Bazaar. "How is this, doctor; you charge me five francs a visit?" "It is less than I charge anybody else." "That may be make them pay for thinking so. Merci, so, but then, you forgot that it was I who introduced the small-pox into the salute he pocketed the silver and marchneighborhood."- Independence Belge.

ed down the path toward Broadway, where among the hundreds of theatre-The spectacle of a little man under a hat too big for him is only ludierous, but the sight of a young country like Canada laboring under a debt of nearly \$300,000,000 is too serious to be amus ing .- Toronto (Can.) Truth.

"Do you think you could carve the turkey, Mr. O'Dynamite?" said the landady to her new boarder. "Weil, I should blush to hesitate. Why, I was one of the men who helped to blow up Hell Gate."-N. Y. Journal.

"I have been unfortunate in love mat-When Bonamy Price, professor of political economy at Oxford, was being entertained in Cambridge, Price and Eliot were thrown together at dinner. Bonamy, who was an intolerable bore,

Tailor-Married or unmarried? Customer-Married. Tailor (to cutter)-One pocket concealed in lining of vest. cessfully answered the question was a voung girl—of Cambridge, Eng. So that I may arouse no unnecessary curiosity, let me say at once the answer to cessfully answered the question was a customer—Eh? What? Tailor (explaining)—To hide your change, you know, at night. I'm married myself.—Chicago Rambler.

De Guy: "Ah! Toggle, old boy, how do? What are you doing now?" Toggle: "I'm living on my father just at present." "You are? I thought your father died long ago?" "So he did, but I have a new one-Government pap."-Philadelphias Call.

Elijah-"Say, Zeke, I heah yo' brudder married a rich beiress; am dat so?" Zeke-"Yes; she's wuth 'bout fi' mil-Elijah (surprised) — "So much as Zeke—"It's fi' million or fi' hundred, I dunno which, but I know it's

-but not when they are too drunk," replied the brakeman. "Just take a seat near the middle of the car and keep quiet and you'll be all right."—N. Y. Sun.

tion?" "

A little Eighth street girl in studying her Sunday-school lesson came to the words: "And the King of Nineveh covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes." This was a puzzler. Finally she said: "Papa, what kind of ashes is satin ashes, that the king covered himself with."—Troy Times.

Young Highcollar Papa.

unted by the idea all night. Would a mind telling me what is the true asis of civilization?"

"No, sir," answered Bonamy promption, "find it out for yourself?"—San Francisco Ingleside.

In receiving visitors the president has poculiar habits in the management of the company of the management of the company of the compan

The fingers generally are quiet, but if they begin to work or contract he is growing tired. Then he will shift from one foot to the other. If the man bores one foot to the other. If the man bores him. No man with weak nerves should him.

"Shteal doze glothes? Mein Himmel, no! (Contidentially!) Vy, mein friend, I dell you, I sells doze glothes so sheap lawyer of Massachusetts. He had a that it doesn't bay to shteal them."

Somerville Journal An old farmer was in town Saturday and decided to take an oyster stew for dinner, as he had heard his neighbors suit for infringement. All the courts had decided against the lawyer except talk so much about them. He called at the supreme court of the United States, and before the case reached that court He had told Nix it was his first stew, and when he had finished eating he was asked how he liked it. The farmer replied that he liked the soup very well, but wished he had left the pollywogs out .-

Fort Gaines (Ga.) Advertiser. "There is a man on our street afflicted with a bad case of the foot-and-mouth disease," remarked Ebenezer Jones to a young physician of his acquaintance. "Impossible!" said the young doctor. "I never heard of a human being taking that disease." "But he has it, undoubt-"What are the symptoms?" "Why, he thinks he is a champion attributes his rejection by the senate pedestrian, and he is always talking about it."-Pittsburg Chronicle.

A good old deacon in Central Illinois who lost all his big drove of swine by hog-cholera took the matter so lightly fice whom he would not pledge himthat his wife felt called upon to reproach him. "Deacon," said she, "I should think you would be ashamed of yourself. It looks to me as though it was a judgment sent on you by the Lord." "My dear," said the good old man, "if the Lord wants to take out His judgment in three-cent pork, into which I would have to be pouring good 30-cent corn if they lived, let us not grumble."

A Troy clergyman tells a story told to him by a brother pastor of another city. The latter had in his flock a man who know how or where it was buried before conversion had been very profane in language. He had become carnest in prayer, however, and on one occasion was offering a supplication in the prayer-meeting for succor for a destitute family. "O Lord," he said, "send them a barrel of flour. O Lord, send them a barrel of potatoes. O Lord, send them a contains the element of power; pabarrel of [here there was a painful pause for a word] pepper. Thunder, no!" he quickly exclaimed, "that's too much pepper."—Troy Times.

Maud and her George were in the parlor, and Maud's father-who, by the principal of control. way, is down on the mugwumps was laying down his political tenets to Mand's George. "I tell you," he ex-claimed, "the Democratic and Republican parties embody all there is of wisdom in party management. We don't D., Analytical Chemist, Washing-want any third party here." "That is ton, D. C. Price, twenty-five cents. it precisely, papa," replied Maud; "a third party is a nuisance anywhere." Maud's father counted noses, concluded from the field.—New Orleans Picayune. it leaves the field until it reaches the

"Are you going to stop here awhile?" | miller. asked a reporter of a prominent European at the Union Depot. "O, no," was the reply; "I have just got in from New | York, and leave in half an hour for Chi- half. It is now only about 40,000. "You stay a few days in Chicago, I suppose?" 'O, no; merely change cars for Omaha." "And then you explore the Great West, probably?" "Not covered in Utah covers three miles at all. Get dinner, perhaps, at Omaha, and then start right back, and leave New York for England on the first ves-"Then your visit will be somewhat hurried?" "O, yes, a little; you see I only want to gather materials for a book on America, and for three or four lectures."—Pittsburg Chronicle. hands by an East India missionary the formula of a symple vogetable

Standing at the corner of Main and remedy for the speedy and perma-North streets yesterday one of our first citizens-one, by the way, whose name was a few weeks ago prominently men- catarrh, asthma and all throat and tioned for the mayoralty-said to an- lung affections, also a positive and other gentleman equally well known: "I radical cure for nervous debility and have been in a study for some days past over a curious fact, that so many of our all nervous complaints, after having best people, those of highest station and tested its wonderful curative powwho reside in the most aristocratic pre- ers in thousands of cases, has felt it eincts of the city, make a practice of going in and out of back doors," "O, his duty to make it known to his sufnonsense," was the reply, "that isn't so, fering fellows. Actuated by this I'm a pretty close observer myself, and motive and a desire to relieve human have never noticed anything of the kind." "You haven't, ch? Then just you watch the street-ears." —Buffalo to all who desire it this recipe, in

Hot Water For All.

devised a plan for mitigating the severity of winter and spring in the North Atlantic States and warming the blue noses of our friends in Nova Scotia. The great warm current called the control of this city has stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y. 35 A well-known engineer of this city has gre at warm current called the Gulf Str am surges by us on its northeasterly course, but it is commonly believed that the British isles and southwestern Eu- In the Circuit Court of Chariton county rope get the benefit of it. With this April Term, 1886, April 12, 1886. stream almost within our reach we shive: and freeze through the winter mext friend, phantiff, vs Alfred C. Mason months and that horrible season called defendant. At this day come the plaintiff spring, because a river of ice water from | herein, byher attorney, and it appearing the glaciers of the pole pushes it away to the satisfaction of the court that the defrom our coast. Mr. Goodrige, the fendant herein cannot be sammoned by philanthropic engineer to whom we re- the ordinary process of this court, wherefer, proposes to dam this polar river in open it is ordered by the court that said the strait of Belle Isle and turn its defendant be notified by publication that waters eastward into the wide Atlantic. Plaintiff has commenced a suit against This strait, which separates Newfound- him in this court, the object and general land from Labrador, is at one point nature of which is to obtain a decree in only ten miles wide and 150 feet deep. this court divorcing her from the bonds of There he would invest \$40,000,000 in a

He suggests that the interposition of Alfred C. Mason be and appear at this this obstacle would raise the temperature | court, at the next term thereof, to be be of the coast from Newfoundland to Cape | gun and holden at the court house in the Hatteras. Invalids could pass their winters at Cape Cod or on Block Island, the St. Lawrence Gulf and river would the 6th day of said term, if the term shall become navigable throughout the year, no longer continue-and if not, then on or and the Newports of the future would before the last day of said term-suswer lie on the shores of Nova Scotia. Giving or plead to the petition in said cause, the free rein to his imagination, he sees the same will be taken as confessed, and judg deflected polar current striking the Gulf stream off the banks of Newfoundland, it is further ordered, that a copy hereof be bending it southward, and compelling it to waste its warmth upon the shores Fron Courier, a weekly newspaper pub of Africa, while the perishing Britons lished in Chariton county, Missouri. fly to their Indian empire to save their

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"Do you allow drunken people on the train?" asked an old gentleman at the city hall elevated station. "Sometimes and New York would still be in the cold .- New York Times.

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